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When Williams Was Disqualified  
for Foully Ertle He Officially  
Lost His Title.

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KID WILLIAMS has lost his world's bantamweight championship on a foul. When he fought Johnny Ertle of St. Paul, out West, the referee officially decided that Williams lost on a foul, and the Boxing Commission of the State sustained the referee's right to make that decision.

There are only two ways in which a champion can lose his title in a State where no decision is given at the end of a bout. One way is by failing to finish the bout; the other is by losing on a foul.

Any contest in which a champion takes part is "for the title." If his opponent makes a foul, Ertle, according to report, weighed in at 114 pounds, being a genuine bantamweight, although Williams had made the match at 115 pounds to suit his own convenience. It makes no difference how much a losing champion weighs as long as his opponent is at weight.

Every time a champion enters a ring with an opponent who's at weight, in a no-decision bout, he risks his title, for it is possible that he may either be knocked out or lose officially on a foul. Disqualification for fouling is equivalent to an adverse decision.

Johnny Ertle will probably come to New York to show his wares. Western authorities describe him as a hunting little fighter with a great deal of cleverness—a boxer on the order of Mike Gibson. He is eighteen years of age, 4 feet 11 inches tall, and can easily weigh in at the bantam limit, usually fighting at 110 or 113 pounds.

He has been boxing for only a year and a half, during which time he has had twenty-nine fights and has scored thirteen knockouts.

Williams received a guarantee of \$5,000, "win, lose or draw." He was pretty well paid for the title, at that.

KID WILLIAMS hasn't shown the fighting ability of his earlier days since beating Johnny Coulton for the title. Two or three times he has been within an ace of defeat. He fought his winning fights on pure strength and fighting aggressiveness, for he never developed any great skill with the gloves. He will probably have a hard time inducing the new title holder to meet him again.

NOW that the hammers have stopped flying and the knockers are waiting to catch their second wind, the spectators at the McFarland-Gibbons bout are showing up with the real opinion of the public. I've had scores of letters from people who saw the bout, and without a single exception they express their satisfaction with the goods delivered. It seems that the spectators really do enjoy seeing a clever boxing bout now and then. Surely there wasn't a man in the arena who failed to get his money's worth, whether he sat in a \$5 box seat or a \$1 chair in the "gallery."

If seats had been sold at prices ranging down from \$50 or \$25, as in many big fights, it might have been a different matter. But none can say the spectacle wasn't worth a five-spot of any man's money.

The United States is supplying four hundred million cigarettes for the Allies on the fighting lines.

If the wind is right the Texans will think there's something in that rumor that France is about to oust the gas tank offensive.

The most thrilling event of the season, now that Johnston has beaten Behr, Williams and McLaughlin for the tennis championship, and the golf title has gone where it belongs, and Mike Gibson and Packer McFarland have fought a terrific battle, was the terrific basketball contest. Many enthusiastic spectators no doubt awaited the results with bated breath.

JIM Savage complains that Weinert, who recently had an edge on him in a hot fight at the Garden, is "fighting shy" of Jack Dillon. Savage says that just to show his heart's in the right place he'll fight Mr. Dillon for Weinert, and when he has whipped Dillon he'll be pleased to take Weinert on again.

Savage surely isn't a bit cozy. Dillon is a slugger with a slugging record. Didn't he whip Weinert once? So if Savage can beat Dillon he ought to have a chance with the other Jersey beauty. In any case, there'd be action in a Savage-Dillon fight.

## BEST SPORTING PAGE IN NEW YORK

## KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

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Blossom, Yale Junior,  
Reserve Player on Team,  
Won College Golf Title

Latest Aspirant for Honors on  
Links Fairly Smothered Pea-  
cock of Princeton in Final  
Round—Other News.

GREENWICH, Conn., Sept. 15.—Francis R. Blossom, a junior at Yale, was an easy winner in the final match for the intercollegiate golf championship yesterday. Grant A. Peacock, the Princeton representative, was beaten 11 up and 9 to play in the thirty-six-hole match. Blossom had a lead of 8 in the morning round and from then on the outcome was never in doubt.

Blossom was particularly strong on putting. He had no less than six one-putts on the first round. He missed only one putt on the first eighteen holes.

The Yale man played brilliant golf throughout the tournament. In the qualifying round last Friday his score was 153, going around in 77 and 76.

The new champion is a native of Chicago and a member of the Exmoor Country Club. He is a junior at Yale and never before has played in this competition. In fact, his golf was so underrated that he was simply a reserve player on the Yale team.

The card follows:

Mrs. R. H. Smalley and Mrs. W. Randall of Yonutah Country Club won the leading prizes in the golf tournament at the Forest Hill Field Club yesterday. The best scores were:

Mrs. R. H. Smalley, Yonutah, 80 9 83  
Mrs. W. Randall, Yonutah, 84 11 95

## News of Sports Told in Shorts

The youngster in the metropolitan junior tennis championship at Forest Hills set a fast pace yesterday, and when the session closed for the day there were only sixteen contestants left. Leading honors fell to E. J. Benjamin, a freshman from Harvard, who eliminated Matty Taylor of Fordham Prep, one of those who had been regarded as formidable contenders. In a three-set match, Benjamin was better able to stand the heat and took the third set as he pleased, as Taylor was almost "all out." The scores were 6-2, 3-6, 6-0. Benjamin played a very speedy game, and ability to place his shots not only gave him the ace but won his opponent down.

Charles S. Garland of Pittsburgh, George T. Throckmorton, the New Jersey youngster; Louis M. Banks of Adelphi Academy and Robert Rand of Ite all entered the fourth round.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 15.—Wolcott Henderson of Lexington, N. Y., the 1914 national amateur target champion in singles and doubles, and also the winner of the Grand American Handicap last year, led the field in the West Hogan opening day shoot yesterday, smashing 148 out of his quota of 150 targets.

James B. Young of Chicago tied with 144, 145.

## STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Club	W	L	PC	Club	W	L	PC
Philadelphia	10	4	100	St. Louis	10	4	100
Pittsburgh	10	4	100	St. Paul	10	4	100
Cincinnati	10	4	100	Washington	10	4	100
Cleveland	10	4	100	Chicago	10	4	100
Boston	10	4	100	Brooklyn	10	4	100
New York	10	4	100	San Francisco	10	4	100
Los Angeles	10	4	100	San Diego	10	4	100
San Antonio	10	4	100	San Jose	10	4	100
San Francisco	10	4	100	San Jose	10	4	100
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## RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

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Philadelphia	10	4	100	St. Louis	10	4	100
Pittsburgh	10	4	100	St. Paul	10	4	100
Cincinnati	10	4	100	Washington	10	4	100
Cleveland	10	4	100	Chicago	10	4	100
Boston	10	4	100	Brooklyn	10	4	100
New York	10	4	100	San Francisco	10	4	100
Los Angeles	10	4	100	San Diego	10	4	100
San Antonio	10	4	100	San Jose	10	4	100
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Philadelphia	10	4	100	St. Louis	10	4	100
Pittsburgh	10	4	100	St. Paul	10	4	100
Cincinnati	10	4	100	Washington	10	4	100
Cleveland	10	4	100	Chicago	10	4	100
Boston	10	4	100	Brooklyn	10	4	100
New York	10	4	100	San Francisco	10	4	100
Los Angeles	10	4	100	San Diego	10	4	100
San Antonio	10	4	100	San Jose	10	4	100
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## Race Track and Paddock

By Vincent Treanor

Several hundred horsemen and trainers left Belmont Park last night for Havre de Grace, Md., where a fourteen day session starts to-day. It is expected that at least 500 more followers of the sport will make a trip on Saturday, when an exceptionally attractive card will be offered.

Chicle, thought to be one of the best two-year-olds in Jimmy Reeves' string, was beaten yesterday at Belmont Park. Whimsy and Achievement beat him home. Chicle couldn't give away the weight. Notter got him off well, but in the stretch he stepped under punishment. Whimsy, the winner, was purchased early in the spring from W. P. Whitney, who owns Chicle.

Schuyler L. Parsons has decided to retire Sharpshooter and Phosphor for the season. They were the principal winners for the stable. Phosphor started in ten races this season and scored eight firsts, one second and one third. Being unplaced only once.

The value of the 1918 Futurity, which closes next January, will be about \$30,000. August Belmont, it is learned, will bring the added value up to \$50,000, an advance of \$20,000.

Pielone will be the star of the Cochran string which Trainer Midgley is to campaign at New Orleans during the coming winter. Midgley has about fifty head, including a number of yearlings, under his care. He will be busy from now until the opening of the New Orleans breaking in thirty juveniles.

Jockey Mack Gainer, who proved himself a good lightweight during the past six weeks, will not be seen at Havre de Grace. Gainer is now on his way to Kentucky to report to J. L. Holland, who has Gainer's contract. This means that the lad will ride on the Kentucky tracks and then go to New Orleans.

William Baker, President of the Philadelphia Club and formerly Police Commissioner of New York, is perhaps the happiest man in the Eastern States. While in New York for a few months he declared that his club will surely win the pennant, and that his delight lay in the fact that they had been able to do so during the aid of the players who jumped to the Reds. Mr. Baker is strong for Pat Moran.

"By the way," he said, "you New York people are constantly wondering how the Phillies will be able to win with Alexander doing most of the pitching. He doesn't do anything of the kind. Just look at the number of games our club has won, and then look at the number Alexander has pitched, and you'll see that the other fellows have been quite busy. For instance, they have won four games recently, and Alexander has won but one of them. No, they are not going to work him too hard. Pat Moran is a sensible fellow and knows what he is doing. We have already paid Alexander a bonus for his wonderful work, and he knows me. He would work often than he does if Moran would let him."

The bombarding of Marquard for the second time was a tough one for Robby, and put him back a little further in the race with the Phillies. Both of them won. The Athletics were to have materialized on the Western trip appears to have been delayed.

Ty Cobb Put Damper  
On Debut of Mogridge,  
Yanks' New Southpaw

But the "Rookie" From Des Moines Showed He Has Nerve and a Curve That Will Make Him Famous Later On.

By Bozeman Bulger.

THE fact that George Mogridge, late of Des Moines, didn't win his game against the Tigers should not be taken as a reflection on his pitching. That long, left handed gent is about the nearest looking Southpaw that has been turned loose in the Polo Grounds since the good old days of Rube Waddell. He hasn't the speed of Waddell, of course—no body else ever has—but he is a real pitcher with the nerve to curve a last strike over on the best batter in the league.

Just one blow, and that a grade cutler from the bat of Ty Cobb, settled the battle. It should also be borne in mind that Mogridge had the mighty Cobb right under his thumb all the rest of the game.

With runners on second and third and only one out the Yank infield

naturally moved in to make a play at the plate if possible. If they had remained in their regular positions Cobb's blow could easily have been turned into a double play. It was a single simply because the infielders were too far in to handle it. But such is fate. Great pitchers could do worse than have a game won from them on one blow by the "Georgia Peach."

Another serious obstacle in the way of Mogridge's first success at home was the pitching of Lowdermilk and Oldham on the other side. The Yanks made out four hits all afternoon, which is not considered bountiful in the way of helping along a pitcher making his second start in fast company. It is really not Mogridge's first appearance in fast company, for he once appeared with the White Sox only to be sent back for seasoning. But that was long ago.

In the mean time Bill Donovan is delighted with the work of his young star despite the defeat.

The Tigers now have eighteen games to play while the Red Sox have twenty-four. The Red Sox being three games ahead at this writing it will be necessary for the Tigers to win a much larger percentage of their do at home. Jennings thinks they can do it. I don't.

This thing of not being able to win the road, said Manager Jennings last night, "is all right. Do you realize that we won two of our penultimate a few years ago on the road? We went down to Philadelphia and trimmed the opposition on their own grounds, and I think we have an excellent chance of doing the same thing to the Red Sox. We have kept them from winning a game on the road since last year, and if we should happen to win three straight from them it would be a dead heat."

One of the most remarkable plays of the year was made in the latter part of the Yank-Tiger game when Birdie Cree was sent in as a pinch-hitter for Beckenbach. Birdie Cree caught a curve squandered by a bullet. Like a shadow Bush fitted toward the bag, made a one-handed catch, and came up with the ball. An equally wonderful throw nailed the runner at first. It was a wonder. Birdie Cree, it meant the game, as the next batter followed with a single and there would have been an excellent chance of beating the Tigers out.

As a big league catcher Alexander is growing better every day and his greatness is beginning to show in the way he has worked out the weaknesses of the opposing batters. He handled Mogridge so perfectly that for three times Ty Cobb could not get a semblance of a hit.

"I'd rather have a quick-thinking catcher," said George Davis, one of the scouts, as he watched the young fellow work, "than a marvelous thrower. For instance, Snyder of St. Louis is one of the best pitchers in the world, but nobody will say that he is a better catcher than Schalk of the White Sox. Schalk is absolutely next batter followed with a single and there would have been an excellent chance of beating the Tigers out."

The Giants apparently have shot their bolt and are content to play out the rest of the season just because the rules call for it. Can you imagine a pitcher who is absolutely next batter followed with a single and there would have been an excellent chance of beating the Tigers out?"

Young Fulton Was Easily Outwitted. PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 15.—Although outwitted eleven pounds, Young Fulton of New York administered a beating to Johnny Nelson of this city in six fast rounds at the Douglas Athletic Club here last night. Fulton's hard body blows had Nelson hanging on time and time again. Nelson substituted for Johnnie Maw.

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ROBERT EDGRENCOLUMBIA SQUAD  
STARTS WORK WHEN  
IT GETS UNIFORMS

Capt. Metcalf Expects to  
Have a Regiment of Can-  
didates Report Sept. 23.

The Columbia football squad will start practice Sept. 23. Coach Metcalf is busy engaged rounding up all the hunkies and he expects to have a regiment of candidates for the first gridiron practice Columbia has had in ten years.

The late start has been due to the fact that the men have to be sorted out and their measurements taken for uniforms. Unlike the other colleges, the Blue and White had to order everything new to begin the season with, and this prevented the squad from getting out earlier than the twenty-third.

CORNELL.  
ITHACA, N. Y., Sept. 15.—There were forty-four football candidates training yesterday despite the heat. There was a drill morning and afternoon.

Capt. Charles Barrett, whose probation has been removed by the Cornell faculty, was in uniform, with some dozen other veterans of last season, including Shelton, Cool, Anderson, Tilley, Bailey, Eckley, Collins, Jewett and Jamison.

HARVARD.  
CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Sept. 15.—The Crimson gridiron candidates appeared in rowing shirts for football practice yesterday, but because of the heat the men practiced falling on the ball. Duncan Dana, a former Harvard end, joined Coach Haughton today and will remain for the season.

YALE.  
NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 15.—Alex Wilson, the Yale football captain, will probably get a halfback position. Wilson weighs 195 pounds and the coaches consider this too much weight for a quarterback. If the weather permits there will be some scrimmage play on Friday and Saturday.

PRINCETON.  
PRINCETON, N. J., Sept. 15.—The Princeton squads had a short workout yesterday afternoon in defensive and offensive tactics. The practice was particularly hard on the men because of the heat. Coach Rush intends to have some actual scrimmages to-day and on Saturday will select two teams for a short game. All the assistant coaches, with the exception of Jim Cooney, are here. The latter is expected Friday.

Major Leagues  
to Draft Minor  
Players To-Day

CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 15.—Many prominent baseball men were present when the National Baseball Commission opened its annual meeting here today to consider drafts submitted by major leagues on minor league players.

This annual drawing for the choice of minor league players is of keen interest to baseball men in general and always draws a large attendance. When the Commission convened it was believed it would follow the same plan as last year and not make any change in the names of the players drafted. This plan was adopted to draft the Federal league and to give the choice of the National and American leagues opportunity to sign the players allotted to them by the Commission.

LEVINSKY NOW FROM  
SANDY FERGUSON.

BOSTON, Sept. 15.—Battling Levinsky, the New York heavyweight, although considerably handicapped in weight, won the decision over Sandy Ferguson in their twelve-round bout at the Atlas A. last night and by a big margin. Sandy looked like a giant compared to the New Yorker. He was at least thirty pounds heavier and more than a head taller.

Most of Sandy's punches were either blocked or went around Levinsky's neck. Sandy's style was so into a clinch, and when he did he fared badly as a rule.

JOE TINKER TO STICK  
TO END OF FIGHT.

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—Joe Tinker, manager of the Chicago Federals, will not submit to an operation until the race for the Federal pennant is decided. He told physicians attending him yesterday. Physicians had urged an immediate operation.

Tinker believes the Chicago club has more than a fighting chance for the flag, with only two games separating his club and Pittsburgh, the leaders. He says he feels that his absence from the game during the driving flush might cost Chicago the flag.

Baseball to-day, 3:30 P. M., N. Y. Am.